



BORIS THE SPIDER

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TWO NMRS!! DIP & 1830 VARIANT TO BEGIN!

Two players filling four game positions were NMR this time--and this despite a press-time of three-quarters past Thursday. So would Jack McHugh & Eric Ford provide alternate orders for Italy in BORIS V and Russia in BORIS IV respectively. Alas! I have no alternates available for KREMLIN or DUNE. I'll probably shanghai some local players if the need arises. If anyone would be interested in assuming the PCS position in KREMLIN or Aureides in DUNE on short notice, let me know.

If Drew Franz is back from submarine duty, we have a quorum for BORIS VI. If not, we'll wait until he is. Those signed up should find a copy of the House and Press Rules enclosed. All I need this time is your country preference list and perhaps your position within each possible government.

We've seven signed up for the 1830 variant. These will find a copy of both the Reading (from THE GENERAL) and the Coalfields (from G.I., courtesy of Dick Marun) variants enclosed and a ballot. Whichever option gets the most votes will be it. GM will break any ties as his whimsy directs. We will go with seven players (\$345 each at start) if need be. Then again 1829 can handle nine...

BORIS'S BBS

Thought for the Season: Who dares, wins. --SAS motto

Address & Phone Changes: Effective 15 Oct, Wayne Morrison will have a new address, 412 Primrose Lane, Dunedin, nr, Destin, FL 32541; no phone yet. Paul Saunders' phone has been changed to (703) 406-4157. As near as I can tell, Don Chinnery will be in Asheville this month.

1856: A Preview--(Don Chinnery reporting from Gen Con/Origins). The game was designed by Bill Dixon of Canada. He had three hand-made prototypes there for open gaming. I was fortunate to have had the opportunity to play it three times. Uses 18xx game system. Takes place in Canada in the area surrounded by the Great Lakes (Toronto et al). Private companies work similar to 1830 except two, one of which has port facilities and the other bridge/tunnel access to Detroit. These latter two gain additional income as a result and can also sell the rights to others. Major share companies (11 total) can be floated whenever the number of shares sold equal current train availability. So when starting you would only need two shares (i.e. one certificate - prez share would do it) Companies only have operating capital equal to shares that have been sold. Cash of companies and players is very limited. As more shares sold from bank additional cash is turned over to the company. Loans can be made from the government. If loans are not paid off when the \$6 trains come out, the companies are taken over by the government railway and a share conversion occurs.

Title numbering same as 1830 plus some additional tiles. Single town tiles can be overlaid or replaced after 6-trains are available. Tile and train progression same as 1830.

Mayfair Games bought the rights to the game during Origins/Gen Con. There is a move on to organize a Train Gamers Association (TGA). Train Cons are planned for the future. Get together at Origins and other big cons are planned. Committees are planned for standardization of basic rules for various game systems, for example 18xx series.

I rate 1856 over 1835 and 1830. I have never played any of the others (1829, etc).

BOOS & KUDOS

This Month's BORIS Eagle Eye Award goes to Don Chinnery. Don, are you a retired accountant?

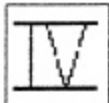
This month's Madame Bolduc Press Excellence Award goes to Boris for his commentary on BORIS V.

This month's Ms Nar Super-Sudsy Bomb goes to Paul Saunders for his triple NMR and the unreported change of phone number. 'Nuff said.

DEADLINE for all games is noon CST on 7 Nov 92.



RIOTS IN RUSSIA! GERMANY RESISTS!



FALL 1903

German resistance proved tough enough to slow the Anglo-French assault. Looks like Germano-Turkish (and our) subversive activities have had some real effect in Russia where a troop mutiny is in full gear due to the Tsar's refusal to issue vodka rations to any but Imperial Guards and suicide squads. Meanwhile in the South, Wormtongue's Italian puppet continues to grow at the new Sultan's expense while easily holding off President Rezzarday's sole fleet. We expect to see a flurry of ship launchings in the Med and the Atlantic as the need for armies to face the Kaiser declines precipitously. The big question is whether the Anglo-French entente continues to roll or, as 900 years of European history suggests, things heat up across the Channel.

TROOP MOVEMENTS

AUS (Frying): A Boh-Vie, A Bud S A Boh-Vie, A Ser S ITA F Ion-Gre, A Vie-Tri, [F Bul(sc) S ITA F Ion-Gre];
ENG (Shacklett): A Fin S F Ska-Swe, [A Yor-Kie], F Den S A Yor-Kie, F Hel C A Yor-Kie, F Nth C A Yor-Kie, F Ska-Swe;
FRA (Rezzarday): A Bar S A Tri-Mun, [A Hol-Kie], A Par-Pic, A Ruh S A Tri-Mun, A Tri-Mun, [F Wes-Tyn];
GER (J. Fisher): A Ber S A Kie, [A Kie S A Mun], [A Mun S A Ber](r-???);
ITA (Klausutis): A Tun H, A Yen S AUS A Vie-Tri, F Ion-Gre, [F Nap-Tyn];
RUS (Saunders): NMR A Gal H(u), A Sil H(u), A Ukr H(u), F Bal H(u), F Sev H(u);
TUR (Truk): [F Con-Bul(sc)], F Eas-Ion, [F Gre H](r-???)

Orders in brackets fail; d = destroyed due to lack of legal retreat, otb = off the board, r-??? unit must retreat, u = unordered. German A MUN must retreat to BOH or otb. Turkish F GRE must retreat to either AEG, ALB, or otb.

SUPPLY CENTER CHART

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|--|--------------|
| AUS: Bud, Tri, Vie, Ser, -Gre, +Bul | (5) Even |
| ENG: Edi, Lon, Lpl, Nwy, -Hol, StP, +Den, +Swe | (7) Build 1 |
| FRA: Bre, Mar, Par, Por, Spa, Bel, +Hol, +Mun | (8) Build 2 |
| GER: Ber, Kie, -Mun | (2) Tear 1 * |
| ITA: Nap, Rom, Ven, Tun, +Gre | (5) Build 1 |
| RUS: Mos, Sev, War, Rum, -Swe | (4) Tear 1 |
| TUR: Ank, Con, Smy, -Bul | (3) Even ** |

*If German A MUN retreats otb, Germany is even.

**If Turkish F GRE retreats otb, Turkey may build one.

Due next time will be orders for Winter 1903/04 and for Spring 1904. Spring orders may be conditional on results of the Winter orders. I expect Paul back next time, but would Eric Ford send in conditional orders for Russia just in case? By the way, Paul has a new phone number.

BORIS WORLD PRESS REVIEW

MOROCCO--The King's constables have begun reported an upsurge in muggings and beatings since the war on the continent has begun. Of particular note is the recent mishaps of Abdul the merchant. Sahib Abdul was returning home from his place of business late at night when two assailants drug him into an alley and systematically pummeled him black and blue prior to breaking both his legs. Although Abdul could not identify his attackers, they spoke Italian and kept repeating the word "Mafioso". Information leading to the arrest and beheading of the assailants will be rewarded according to the constabulary.

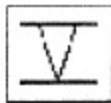
CLASSIFIEDS

Nothing is more surprising than the attack without mercy.

Somewhere on the German Lines: Mr. Rico, there're bugs everywhere!
Elsewhere on the German Lines: Run away, run away!



RIOTS IN ITALY!! BRITS STAB FRENCH! FALL 1903



Pope Brad's recent fascination with an American high school sport seems to have tempted him into a bad decision. Declaring that football shall no longer be played in Italy in favor of this mutant form of English rugby football, His Immenessness has sparked riots throughout the country. Austria was quick to take advantage of the unrest and has regained TRI. The Anglo-Russian alliance, meanwhile, is going strong and now controls over half of Europe. President Langbert has discovered anew why centuries of French monarchs never turned their back on an Englishman. Will the Little 5 manage to ignore their squabbles long enough to present a divided front to the Big 2? We doubt it. Therefore it is time for our agents to foment discord between London and St Petersburg.

TROOP MOVEMENTS

AUS (R. Fisher): A Bud-Ser, A Vie-Tri;

ENG (Morrison): A Hol-Ruh, A Kie S RUS F Bal-Ber, F Bel H, F Den S A Kie, F Eng-Bre, F Nth-Hol;

FRA (Langbert): [A Ber-Man(d), [A Mar-Pie], [A Par-Bur], F Naf-Tun, F Spa(sc)-Lyo, F Tun-Tyn;

GER (Ford): A Bur H, A Mun H, A Sil H;

ITA (Wilson): **NMR** A Alb H(u), A Pie H(u), A Yen H(u), F Adr H(u), F Ion H(u);

RUS (Shacklett): A Arm-Ank, [A Bul-Gre], A Lyn-Pru, A Rum S AUS A Bud-Ser, [A War-Sil], F Bal-Ber, [F Bla-Con], [F Smy S F Bla-Con];

TUR (Frush): [A Con S F Aeg-Smy], [F Aeg-Smy], [F Gre-Bul(sc)].

Orders in brackets fail; d = unit destroyed due to lack of valid retreat; o/b = off the board; r-??? = unit is dislodged and must retreat; u = unordered.

SUPPLY CENTER CHART

AUS: Bud, Vie, -Gre, +Ser, +Tri

ENG: Edi, Lon, Lpl, Nwy, Bel, Den, +Bre, +Hol, +Kie

FRA: -Bre, Mar, Par, Por, Spa, -Ber, +Tun

GER: -Kie, -Hol, Mun

ITA: Nap, Rom, Ven, -Tri, -Tun

RUS: Mos, Sev, Sp, War, Rum, Sve, -Con, -Ser, +Ank, +Ber, +Bul, +Smy

TUR: -Ank, -Smy, -Bul, +Con, +Gre

(4) Build 2

(9) Build 3

(5) Even

(1) Tear 2

(3) Tear 2

(10) Build 2

(2) Tear 1

Due next time will be builds/tears for Winter 1903 and orders for Spring 1904. The latter may be conditional on the Winter results. I expect Brad back next time, but will Jack McHugh send conditional orders for Italy?

Embassy Beat

BERLIN--Combing what was to have been a battlefield the only remaining evidence of the once great German military machine seems to be the diary of the former Kaiser. Although proof of authenticity remains uncertain, if genuine this could prove to be at least a mediocre historical artifact. Quoting now from the last pages should give, if not valuable at least curious, insight regarding the final thoughts of the vanished, vanquished would be conqueror:

"Alas, Brumhilde, I should have listened. All hope is lost. All communication has been cut off and we are alone. I have disbanded the army telling the troops to disguise themselves as gypsies and attempt to infiltrate the enemies' lines making their own way home. As for me, I shall journey eastward. My faithful advisor Brahman Suli Llama tells me of a belief that though life is transitory it is also cyclic. Each of us can look forward to reincarnation and renewal. If this is not true then my loss is no greater. But, if it is true then I'LL BE BACK!!"

BORIS World Press Review

LONDON OBSERVER--Destructive storms out of the north pounded BAL, NTH, and ENG, forcing the fleets to seek southern and western ports for safety. Let us hope that the winds and high seas abate and our troops can return safely.

Despite the weather our armies have continued with the offensive to free the Low Countries of

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CRUELTY IS IN BGM AND PA BEGIN OPERATING!



2-TRAINS DIE!!

FLATE STATUS

Morrison: \$109, SYN&R, D&H, M&H, 6 C&O(Prez), 1 B&O
 Klausutis: \$291, C&SL, C&A, 3 PA(Prez), 2 B&O(VF), 3 NYNH&H(Prez)
 Anchors: \$727, 1 NYNH&H, 2 B&O(VF), 1 C&O, 2 B&M (Prez)
 Hanna: \$195, 5 B&O(Prez), 1 NYNH&H, 1 C&O <Priority>

OPERATION STATUS:

| Company | Value | Pool | Bank | Par | Cash | Trains | Tokens | B&O |
|---------|-------|------|------|-------|-------|----------|--------|-----|
| A112 | 0 | 0 | n/a | \$570 | 223 | 1 NYNH&H | | F80 |
| 5 | 0 | n/a | \$50 | 2223 | 0 | | | |
| C&O | E76 | 2 | 0 | n/a | \$560 | 23 | 2 | |
| PA | B90 | 0 | 7 | \$90 | --- | - | 4 | |
| B&M | A100 | 0 | 8 | \$100 | --- | - | 2 | |

TRAINS AVAILABLE: 334444555666DDDDDD

STOCK ROUND 5 (week):

Hanna buys 1 C&O (\$195-76 = \$119)
 Morrison passes. Klausutis buys 1 PA (\$291-90 = \$201)
 Anchors buys 1 B&M (\$727-100 = \$627)
 Hanna buys 1 C&O (\$119-76 = \$43)
 Morrison passes. Klausutis buys 1 PA (\$201-90 = \$111)
 Anchors buys 1 B&M (\$627-100 = \$527)
 Hanna & Morrison pass. Klausutis buys 1 PA (\$121-90 = \$21); PA floats!
 Anchors buys 1 B&M (\$527-100 = \$427)
 Hanna, Morrison, and Klausutis pass. Anchors buys 1 B&M (\$427-100 = \$327); B&M floats!
 Hanna, Morrison, and Klausutis pass. Anchors buys 1 PA (\$327-90 = \$237).
 Hanna, Morrison, and Klausutis pass. Anchors buys 1 PA (\$237-90 = \$147).
 Hanna, Morrison, and Klausutis pass. Anchors buys 1 PA (\$147-90 = \$57).
 All pass.

C&O is sold out so its price rises to D82. Hanna retains the Priority Card for SR 6.

OPERATION ROUND 5.1:

Private company income: Morrison collects \$5+15+20 = \$40; Klausutis collects \$10+25 = \$35.

B&O: Lay Tile #53 in I15(sw). Run I15-J14 (\$70), I15-H16 (\$80), H16-G17-G19S (\$100). Pay dividend (CCH +\$125, JMA +\$50, TJK +\$50, WM +\$25); price goes to A126.

B&M: Place token in E25. Lay Tile #14 in F22(w). No runs, so price slips to A90. Buy two 3-trains (\$1000-360 = \$640).

PA: Place token in H12. Lay Tile #57 in H10(e). No run so price slips to B82. Buy 3-train from NYNH&H for \$160 (\$900-160 = \$740).

C&O: Lay Tile #69 in G7(ne). Run J2-H4-F6 (\$80) & F6-G7 (\$40). Pay dividends (WM +\$72, CCH +\$36, JMA +\$12); price moves to D90.

NYNH&H: No tile play. Run G19N-F20N (\$70), G19N-F20S (\$70), F22-F24 (\$40). Pay dividend (NYNH&H +\$90, TJK +\$54, JMA +\$18, CCH +\$18); price rises to E90. Buy 4-train (\$300-300 = \$0). 2-Trains are scrapped.

Due next time are orders for OR 5.2 and conditional orders for SR 6. Hanna retains the Priority.

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GREED IS GOOD

QUIET OPERATING ROUND

NEW ISSUES EYED FOR STOCK ROUND



RECAP: Mike Puffenberger began SR3 and OR3 with \$40, not \$60 or \$84. Wayne had \$61, not \$36. Thanks to Don Channery for catching this.

OPERATING ROUND 3.1:

Private Companies pay Zieske \$15, Morrison \$5+20=\$25, NYNH&H \$10, and Kuntz \$25.

B&O: Upgrades J14 with Tile #14(se). Run J14-K13 (\$60), J14-I15 (\$60), J14-K15 (\$50). Pay dividend (TRC +\$68, MP +\$68, WM +\$34); stock goes to A112. Buy 3-train (\$660-180 = \$500).

NYNH&H: Upgrades NY (\$290-80 = \$210). Run G19(N)-F20 (\$70), F20-F22 (\$30), F22-F24-E23 (\$60). Pay dividends (JB +\$80, PZ +\$64, WM +\$16); stock goes to A112b.

OPERATING ROUND 3.2:

Private Companies pay Zieske \$15, Morrison \$5+20=\$25, NYNH&H \$10, and Kuntz \$25.

B&O: Lays Tile #57 on H16(se). Run J14-K13 (\$60), J14-K15 (\$50), J14-I15 (\$60), I15-H16 (\$50). Pay dividend (TRC +\$88, MP +\$88, WM +\$44); price jumps to A126.

NYNH&H: Lays Tile #7 in Hex F18(se). Run G19N-F20N (\$70), G19N-F20S-F22 (\$90), F22-F24 (\$30). Pay dividends (JB +\$95, PZ +\$78, WM +\$19); stock goes to A126b.

Morrison has the priority for the fourth stock round. Due next time are orders for Stock Round 4 and conditional orders for Operating Rounds 4.1 and 4.2 (remember to collect your private company income!) in case no new RRs start. Green Tiles are available and players may now sell private companies to corporations.

PLAYER STATUS:

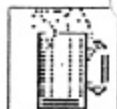
Zieske: \$205, D&H, 4 NYNH&H(YP)
 Morrison: \$219, SVN&R, M&H, 2 B&O, 1 NYNH&H <PRIORITY>
 Bliss: \$229, 5 NYNH&H(Prez)
 Kuntz: \$ 92, C&A, 4 PA(Prez)
 Puffenberger: \$240, 4 B&O(YP)
 Channery (TRC): \$196, 4 B&O(Prez)

CORPORATION STATUS:

| Company | Value | Pool | Bank | Par | Cash | Trains | Tokens |
|---------|-------|------|------|------|--------|--------|--------|
| B&O | A126a | 0 | 0 | n/a | \$ 500 | 2223 | 1 |
| NYNH&H | A126b | 0 | 0 | n/a | \$ 220 | 2223 | 0,C&SL |
| PA | D76 | 0 | 6 | \$76 | | | |

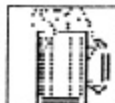
TRAINS AVAILABLE: 3334444555666DDDDDD.

The Bank has \$10,145.



1835

GAME AUDIT COMPLETED



ERRATA: Lots of mistakes last time. Tile #58 in F6 is (e), not (ne) (the map is correct). Don has pointed out that we paid private income twice last time. He missed that his second train should've been a 2+2. The true game status as of the beginning of the 4th SR is:

PLAYER STATUS:

Chuck Hanna (CCH): 109M, #1, #4, #5, #6, 2 SX.
 Rick Eggvedt (RE): 24M, NF, OB, 5 BY (Dir)
 Don Chinnery (Der Bahn Corp = DBC): 41M, L-D, #3, 5 SX (Dir)
 John Butitta (Volksdampfrug = Vdz): 75M, #2, Braun, Mann, PB, 1 BY <Der Zug>

CORPORATION STATUS:

| Company | Value | Pool | Bank | Par | Cash | Trains | Tokens |
|---------|-------|------|------|-----|------|--------|--------|
| #1 | -- | | | | 40 | 2 | 0 |
| #2 | -- | | | | 40 | 2 | 0 |
| #3 | -- | | | | 40 | 2 | 0 |
| #4 | -- | | | | 60 | 22 | 0 |
| #5 | -- | | | | 50 | 2 | 0 |
| #6 | -- | | | | 60 | 2 | 0 |
| BY | C86 | 0 | 4 | 92 | 472 | 2 | 5 |
| SX | D84 | 0 | 3 | 86 | 416 | 22+ | 2 |

STOCK ROUND 4

Butitta passes.
 Hanna buys 1 SX (CCH 109M-88 = 21M, SX +88M)
 All pass.

OPERATING ROUND 4

Privates pay RE (5M+10 = 15M) & Vdz (25M+30+15 = 70M)

- #1: Lay Tile #9 in J2(se). Run H2-H4 (40M). (#1 +20M, CCH +20M)
 #2: * Run E19-C11 (70M). (#2 +35M, Vdz +35M)
 #3: Lay Tile #7 in F20(aw). Run F14-F12 (40M). (#3 +20M, DBC +20M)
 #4: Lay Tile #9 in E9(sw). Run G5-H4 (30M) & G5-H5 (30M). (#4 +30M, CCH +30M)
 #5: Run E19-C21 (50M). (#5 +25M, CCH +25M)
 #6: Lay Tile #58 in B14(e). Run C11-A11 (60M). (#6 +30M, CCH +30M)
 BY: Lay Tile #8 in M13(se) (472M-50 = 422M) & #9 in O13(se). Run O15-L14 (60M). Pay dividend (RE +30M, Vdz +6M); price returns to C92. Buy a 2+2-train (422M-120 = 302M).
 SX: Lay Tile #69 on I17(ne) & #201 on H20(?)**. Run H16-H20 (50M) & H16-I17 (30M). Pay dividends (DBC +40M, CCH +24M); price returns to D88. Buy two 2+2-trains (504M-240 = 264M).

* Ordered the play of a nonexistent Tile #10 in B12(e) with conditionals for unconnected tiles.

** Ordered the play of Tile #202 in H20(ne). Both #202s already in play. Since the only other possible play into H20 is Tile #201 and since Don clearly intended to connect into H20, the GM, rather than halting play here, rules that Tile #201 was played and will leave the orientation to the discretion of DBC. In order to avoid similar happenings, note our new feature, "Rare Tile List."

Rick has der Zug. Orders for Stock Round 5 and Operational Round 5 are due next time. Note that only BY and SX shares are available until they are all sold out. Then the BA directorship is available, followed by PR and BA shares.

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KREMLIN ZENJARPLAN PURGES TWO!! BADENUFF DODGES BULLET!



THE CAST

Dan Farrow: Committee of Modern Marxists into Expanding Socialism (COMMIES) <1 Wave>
 Mike Anchors: Old Red Farts (ORF)
 Mark Frueh: Marginal Mechanics Faction (MMF) <1 Wave>
 Paul Saunders: Party of Cartographic Socialists (PCS)

Year 3 (cont)

| | | |
|--------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Party Chief: | Badenuff (X), 62; | 7 IP (COMMIES*) |
| KGB Head: | Zenjarplan (Q), 63(w); | 4 IP (COMMIES*), 3 IP (MMF) |
| Foreign Minister: | Putzchnik (Y), 53(w); | 1 IP (PCS*) |
| Defense Minister: | Mischief (I), 74(w); | 8 IP (MMF*), 6 IP (COMMIES) |
| Ideology Chief: | Satin (O), 62(s) | |
| Industry Minister: | Patina (S), 58 | |
| Economy Minister: | Shootemdedsky (H), 69 | |
| Sports Minister: | Krakemheds (E), 73(w); | 2 IP (MMF*) |
| Candidates: | B,C,D<4 IP (PCS*)>, K,M<? 64 2 IP (PCS*)> | |
| People: | G,J,L,O,R,S,T,U,V,W,Z | |
| Siberia: | N(67), P(62) | |
| The Kremlin Wall: | A | |

PURGE PHASE: Q purges I (20+2 = da); Q purges Y (17+2 = da); Q ages 2 SP to 65.

SPY INVESTIGATION PHASE: Q opens investigations of H & E and ages 2 SP to 67.

HEALTH PHASE:

Badenuff (X, 62) drinks "1" bottle of Soviet champagne at a reception, becomes ill (++).
 Zenjarplan (Q, 67w) drinks "1" too, also falls ill (++).
 Satin (O, 62s) runs "11" km a day, no change.
 Patina (S, 58) takes "3" lovers, catches a por and becomes ill (++).
 Shootemdedsky (H, 69) dances for "16" hours, no change.
 Krakemheds (E, 73w) smokes "7" packs a day, gets sick (+).

ORF plays Card #4 and attempts to assassinate Badenuff (X). Attempt fails (2) miserably. COMMIES may denounce any Politician. The denounced will be shot on a die roll > 12; otherwise he/she will earn a "?".

Due next time are the identity of the unlucky denouncee and orders for the Replacement, Rehabilitation and Parade Phases. Conditional orders based on whether or not there is an execution are encouraged. The additional IP phase will be handled in a separate mailing.

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| Party Chief: | Badenuff (X), 62, ++; | 7 IP (COMMIES*) |
| KGB Head: | Zenjarplan (Q), 67(w), ++; | 4 IP (COMMIES*), 3 IP (MMF) |
| Foreign Minister: | <Vacant> | |
| Defense Minister: | <Vacant> | |
| Ideology Chief: | Satin (O), 62(s) | |
| Industry Minister: | Patina (S), 58, ++ | |
| Economy Minister: | Shootemdedsky (H), 69, ? | |
| Sports Minister: | Krakemheds (E), 73(w), +, ?; | 2 IP (MMF*) |
| Candidates: | B,C,D<4 IP (PCS*)>, K,M<? 64 2 IP (PCS*)> | |
| People: | G,J,L,O,R,S,T,U,V,W,Z | |
| Siberia: | I(74), N(67), P(62), Y(53) | |
| The Kremlin Wall: | A | |



DUNE



GUILD MAKES ITS MOVE! EVERYONE IN BRAWLS!

ATREIDES: (Saunders), 3C, 8S, 3L, 10T in Arrakeen (4T toward KH).
 FREMEN: (Morrison), 4C, 8S, 5L, 4T in Sietch Tabr, 3T in False Wall South, 5T & 1* in Habbanya Erg, 2T in False Wall West.
 GUILD: (R. Fisher), 4C, 8S, 5L, 5T in Tuek's Sietch, 3T in Habbanya Ridge Sietch, 2T in Cielago North.
 HARKONNEN: (Egtvedt), 7C, 11S, 6L, 10T in Carthag, 4T in Broken Land.
 TANKS: A 6T, Dr Y(1); G 1T

KARAMA: H finished with 7C last time as I forgot to subtract the Karama he played, so two cards were up for bid this time. A's cards and G's spice were also in error and have been corrected above.

TURN 4

1. The STORM moves from Sector 4 to Sector 9.
2. SPICE locations are Rock Outcropping(6) and Minor Erg(8); 4S remain in Cielago North.
3. BIDDING: No bids, cards remain unbought.
4. REVIVAL: A revives 2T, G revives 1T.
- 5a. SHIPPING: F brings in 1T & 1* to Habbanya Erg; G ships 2T to Carthag (-1S).
 b. MOVEMENT: H plays HAJR, moves 4T from Broken Land to Arrakeen and 6T from Carthag to Arrakeen. F moves 6T and 2* from Habbanya Erg to Habbanya Ridge Sietch. G moves 2T from Cielago North to False Wall South.
6. COMBAT: G with 2T vs F with 3T in False Wall South. H with 10T vs A with 10T in Arrakeen. F with 6T & 2* vs G with 3T in Habbanya Ridge Sietch. G with 2T vs H with 4T in Carthag.

We'll only do combat this time. Send in your battle plans (including spice to be spent on troop support), the conditions under which you won't invoke a traitor, which captured leaders H will keep rather than render for 2S, and under what conditions you will play TRUTHTRANCE, KARAMA, etc. A is reminded to make his battle plan contingent on what he learns by prescience.

ATREIDES: (Saunders), 3C, 8S, 3L, 10T in Arrakeen, (4T toward KH).
 FREMEN: (Morrison), 4C, 8S, 5L, 4T in Sietch Tabr, 3T in False Wall South, 6T & 2* in Habbanya Ridge Sietch, 2T in False Wall West.
 GUILD: (R. Fisher), 4C, 7S, 5L, 5T in Tuek's Sietch, 3T in Habbanya Ridge Sietch, 2T in False Wall South, 2T in Carthag.
 HARKONNEN: (Egtvedt), 6C, 11S, 6L, 4T in Carthag, 10T in Arrakeen.
 TANKS: A 4T, Dr Y(1)

Legend: A = Atreides, C = treachery cards, F = Fremen, G = Guild, H = Harkonnen, L = leaders, S = spice, T = tokens, * = Fedaykin, KH = Kwisatz Haderach

---BORIS V (continued from page 3)

German domination. They are advancing into the industrial RUH. White Hall is declaring that a vanquished Germany will never field an army again.

Classifieds Turkey to GM: I like a dying position.

BUD-PAR: Here Frogie, got a spicy little snack for you.

VIE-ROM: See we should have talked, now we're both in the soup.

Emperor to Sultan: Have I gone deaf? I don't hear anything. Please let me hear something, anything.

VIE-MOS: What's this? You suddenly develop a taste for tea and sourkraute?

R. Fisher to Ms Nar: Sorry about the spelling but I'm in a hurry (again, sheesh!)



MAGIC REALM

Capt Avalon Beats Checks!
Mistdoggie Encounters Goblins!
Wulf Bleeds Profusely!



The Best

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| John Butitta: | "Moondoggie" the Sorcerer (Bushytail, Misty) |
| Scott Cameron: | "Wulf Ironhelm" the Berserker |
| Don Chinnery: | "Scitch" the Witch King (Ribbit!) |
| Dan Farrow: | "Woolly" the optional Wizard |
| Richard Price: | "Sir Jordan" the White Knight |
| Jack Shacklett: | "Fang Gulfwulf" the Berserker |
| Michael Tsuk: | "Capt Avalon" the optional Captain |

EVENING 8

Monster Roll = 8

The unhidden Sir Jordan waits for Fang's attack. It never comes.

Moondoggie casts MELT INTO MIST using MAGIC VI4* and PURPLE 4* (see note).

Peter (PHQ) mounted and Paul (P1) are deployed against Raoul (R5) and Roger (R6) respectively. Wulf attacks Peter and Capt Avalon hacks at Wulf. Peter thrusts L*2 at Raoul while Pete's horse gallops M5* into Wulf's H*4 smash; Raoul's swing M*3/dodge 5 is too slow, so he joins the horse in Death's embrace. Paul's L*4 thrust catches Roger's dodge 5, so Roger too is harvested by the Destroyer of Delights. Capt A swings M*5 at Wulf, wounding his already fatigued FIGHT T6* chit. Capt A then grabs the loot from Peter.

Peter and Paul hem in a confused Wulf while Capt A runs away toward DW2. Peter swings M*4/dodges 4, Paul smashes M*4/ducks 4, and Wulf smashes H*4/ducks H6 at Peter. The Patrol score two wounds (MOVE H5*, MOVE H6) and damage Wulf's helmet.

Wulf disdains maneuver as Peter and Paul attack again. Peter's thrust/charge and Paul's swing/dodge both draw blood while Wulf's smash H*4 misses Peter badly. MOVE T6* and MOVE H4** are wounded.

Bellowing defiantly, Wulf swings H*4 at Peter. This unnerves (and beheads) Peter as he swings M*4/charges 4. Paul again draws blood as he thrusts/charges. Wulf wounds FIGHT H5 and the Patrol loot is now abandoned.

It's now one-on-one. Wulf's thrust H*4 catches Paul if full charge, and it's over. Capt A gets 4N and 2G for the dead Rogues, but loses 6N for the Patrol; Wulf gets 9N and 4G for the Patrol, but loses 4N for the Rogues.

SAY 8

Monster Roll = 9

Moondoggie @ EV4: Pops a Purple to activate MIST (see note), M Ru2, M Ru1, M Ru5, MBL1 reveals RUINS C, PATTERN 5, a six-pack of axe-goblins appear at 2, a six-pack of spear-goblins appear at 5.

Capt Avalon between BV5 & DW2: M DW2, H(5,5=y), MDW3, MDW5

Wulf @ Inn w/R6 & R5: R(MOVE H6), M BV2, R(wounded FIGHT T6*), R(FIGHT T6*), R(wounded MOVE T6*)

Fang @ DW3 w/R7: H(2,1=y), MDW5, M Mt5, M Mt5; reveals RUINS M, FLUTTER 2.

Scitch @ Cr3: S(MS 6,6=no), S(MS 4,4=spells), S(MS 6,5=no), S(MS 6,3=no); reveal STINK M, ALTAR 1, LOST CASTLE 1, PATTERN 2, LAIR 3, CAIRNS 5, ROAR 6.

Woolly @ CV4: M Cr2, M Cr2, M Cr3, M Cr3

Sir Jordan @ DW3 w/R4: H(5,4=y), S(Lt 3,1), S(Lt 4,2), S(Lt 4,1), R; reveals DANK M, VAULT 3.

We have possible combat in Cr3 between Scitch and Woolly. Due next time are orders for evening Day 6 and for daylight Day 7. Remember both White and Black Color will be everywhere.

NOTE: A couple of points of order here. Moondoggie actually ordered his fatigued MAGIC VI6* chit to cast MELT. MELT INTO MIST when activated, only lasts until Midnight (Rule 42.8/2). It needs to be "energized" in the morning (Rule 42.9/2). So Moondoggie can't traipse through the undiscovered hidden path unless he "pops a Purple" and becomes Mist; it is clear from his press that that is his

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THE HUNT

FARROW WINS HUNT!



Inspired by Lipton's book, "An Exaltation of Larks", this is a word game where we propose a noun and the players are asked to propose a collective noun to fit, such as "flock" for "sheep", or "pride" for lions. The first player to score 10 points wins six free issues of this rag. The Hunt is run in "Chases" or rounds. We're just finishing our fifth. Here are the results, fresh from the fields:

CHASE 5

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| assassins: | armory, booth(L), cabal(N), conspiracy(#), guild(#), shadow, skulk(B), terminator |
| gods: | host, multitude, pantheon(*B/N), rabble(L), set, wad |
| wizards: | circle, college(B), coven, order(N), rune, spell, staff(*) |
| hurricanes: | blast(*), blow(N), front(B), gust, season, storm, whirl |
| surfers: | board(+), breaker, school, tube(L), wave(*B/N) |
| chainsaws: | annoyance(B), burr(N), buzzing(*), calliope, massacre(+), mess |
| liat: | bellybutton(+), bellybuttonfull, fluff, string(B), trap |
| actors: | guild(#), play, queue(L), scene(#), stage(#), theatre(N), thespian, troupe(B) |
| mothers-in-law: | badger, curse, fear(B), hassle(#), matriarchy(#), mutter(L), nag, power(N) |
| minotaurs: | awful lot, cave(N), dragon, herd, labyrinth(B), lair, maze(*) |

* = winner, + = duplicate, # = tie, B = Boris's suggestion, L = Lipton's, N = Ms Nar's suggestion, / = B/L/N suggested it too

ASIDES:

- a SET of gods (Set being an Egyptian god)--Dan Farrow
- a CHARIOT of gods--Dan Farrow
- an ANYTHING-THEY-WANT-TO-BE-CALLED of gods--Dan Farrow
- a DRAGON of minotaurs (for all you "Titan" players)--Michael Tsuk

The score this time: Tsuk 3.67, Farrow 3.33, J. Fisher 1.33, R. Fisher 1.33, and Morrison 0.33.

Final score after five Chases, Dan Farrow 10.16, Michael Tsuk 7.50, Ron Fisher 7.41, Wayne Morrison 7.16, Mike Puffenberger 6.83, Jim Fryling 3.5, Jack Shacklett 2.25, & Jason Fisher 3.67.

THE LODGE: Congratulations to Dan, who started one turn and 5.0 points behind, to effect a stunning four turn march to victory. (Hear, Hear! Good show, old Bean!) Six free issues of this 'zine have been tacked on to his subscription in recognition of this awesome feat. There now comes the fateful question as to whether to retain this feature. It was originally intended as a space-filler until the other games got up to speed. As these things do, it got a life of it's own. I've heard some raves about it, but we've never got more than five entries from twenty-some eligible players. I'm now looking at opening one more DIP and the variant 1830 soon, and space may soon be a factor. Let me know if there should be another Hunt. Perhaps I can use it as a "white-space" filler. Your opinions do count.

-MAGIC REALM continued from previous page

intention, so the GM has "popped a Purple" for him at the start of his turn. By the way, Phantasm, the chits for Ruins were revealed on Day 4 by Woolly. I've also altered Wulf's Day 6 orders slightly to allow him to move this turn.

0000 & 3333: Borderland is enchanted. The T. Demon is at Crag 1. Four horses remain in the Rogues abandoned treasure pile. Two treasures remain in the Vault.

00000:

Capt Avalon to all: "Reputation for Victory" is becoming "Reputation for Cowardice"!

Moondoggie to all: Bummer, Roguesters. You can't hang out with just anybody. Moondoggie still likes you.

Fang speaking to Ralph: "Here I am hiding from the knight, sneaking into the vault, while you hang outside, and all I get is some woman's underwear. And no woman is in it at that. Boy, I'm going to find some other place to pillage. No more talk about the dancing girls either Ralph. Lousy tin giants"

~~---CDEED IS GOOD~~ (continued from page 4) **CRUELTY IS IN**

PLAYER STATUS

Morrison: \$246, SYN&R, D&H, M&H, 6 C&O(Prez), 1 B&O
 Klausutus: \$160, C&SL, C&A, 6 PA(Prez), 2 B&O(VP), 3 NYNH&H(Prez)
 Anchors: \$137, 1 NYNH&H, 2 B&O(VP), 1 C&O, 6 B&M (Prez), 3 PA(VP)
 Hanna: \$204, 5 B&O(Prez), 1 NYNH&H, 3 C&O(VP) <Priority>

CORPORATION STATUS:

| Company | Value | Pool | Bank | Par | Cash | Trains | Tokens |
|---------|-------|------|------|-------|-------|--------|--------|
| B&O | A126 | 0 | 0 | n/a | \$570 | 3 | 1 |
| NYNH&H | E90 | 5 | 0 | n/a | \$ 0 | 4 | 0 |
| C&O | D90 | 0 | 0 | n/a | \$560 | 23 | 2 |
| B&M | A90 | 0 | 4 | \$100 | \$640 | 33 | 1 |
| PA | B82 | 0 | 1 | \$90 | \$740 | 3 | 3 |

TRAINS AVAILABLE: 444555666DDDDDD

The Bank has \$8,743.

PRESS:

B&O Internal Memorandum
 To: President
 From: Chief Surveyor
 New York is on the Hudson, not the Ohio. We'll keep trying. --RL

~~---1835~~ (continued from page 6)

PLAYER STATUS:

Chuck Hanna (CCH): 150M, \$1, \$4, \$5, \$6, 3 SX.
 Rick Egvedt (RE): 69M, NF, OE, 5 BY(Dir)
 Don Chinnery (Der Bahn Corp = DBC): 101M, L-D, \$3, 5 SX(Dir)
 John Buttle (Volksdampfzug = Vdz): 151M, \$2, Braun, Hann, PB, 1 BY <Der Zug>

CORPORATION STATUS:

| Company | Value | Pool | Bank | Par | Cash | Trains | Tokens |
|---------|-------|------|------|-----|------|----------|--------|
| \$1 | -- | | | | 60 | 2 | 0 |
| \$2 | -- | | | | 75 | 2 | 0 |
| \$3 | -- | | | | 60 | 2 | 0 |
| \$4 | -- | | | | 90 | 22 | 0 |
| \$5 | -- | | | | 75 | 2 | 0 |
| \$6 | -- | | | | 90 | 2 | 0 |
| BY | C92 | 0 | 4 | 92 | 302 | 2,2+ | 5 |
| SX | D88 | 0 | 2 | 88 | 264 | 2,2+2+2+ | 2 |

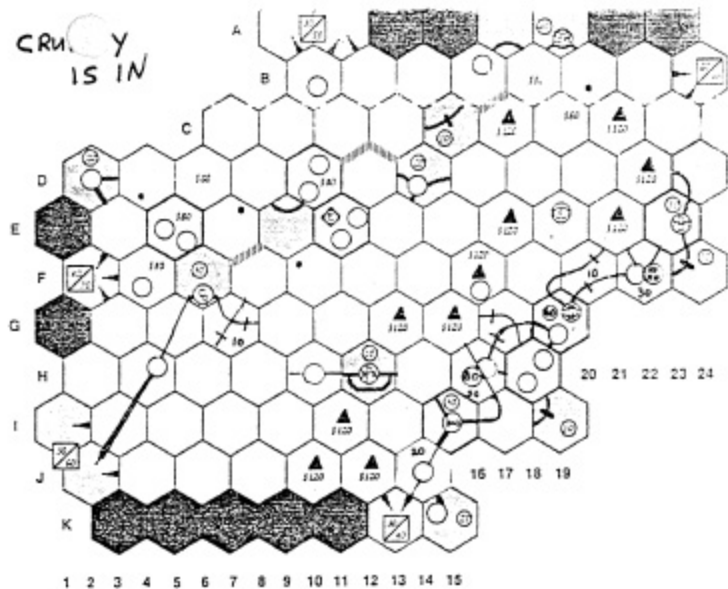
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RARE TILE LIST: \$1(1), \$2(1), \$3(3), \$5(2), \$6(2), \$9(3), \$55(1), \$56(1), \$57(0), \$69(0), \$201(1), \$202(0).

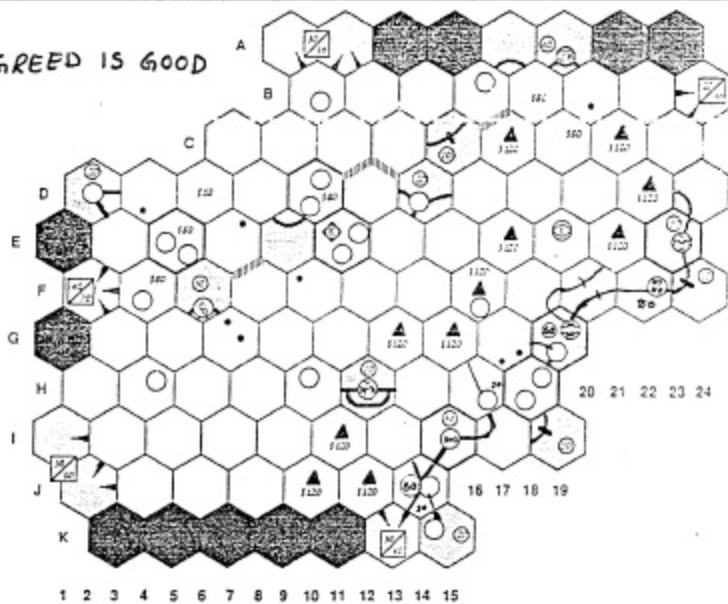
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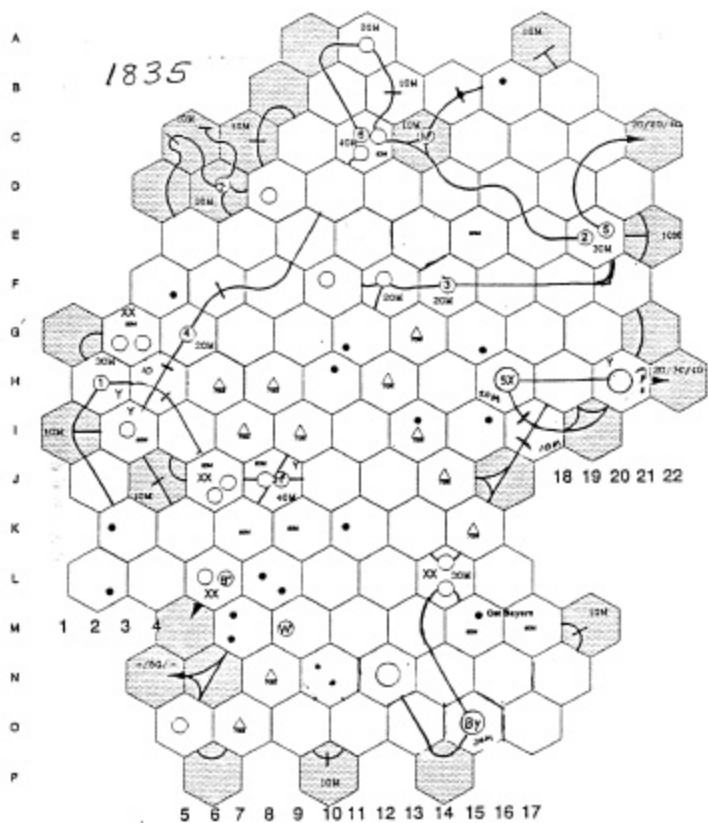
1st train from Berlin arrives in Hamburg. Citizens rejoice!

CRUISE
IS IN



GREED IS GOOD





On Deck

1830: Bliss, Chinnery, Egtvedt, Farrow, Frueh, Puffenberger, and Zieske interested in variant. Alternates Frueh & Tsuk. Need 6 for normal, variant begins perhaps next time.

1835: Zieske signed up; Chinnery and Farrow signed up for variant. Alternates Frueh & Tsuk.

DIPLOMACY: Signed up are Cameron, Egtvedt, Ford, Franz, Langbert, McHugh, and Vandine; game begins when Franz is ashore. Alternates Ford, Frueh, Langbert, Morrison, Theis, Tsuk, Wilson.

GUNSLINGER: Cameron and McHugh signed up; Anderson possible. Need 2-5 more.

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